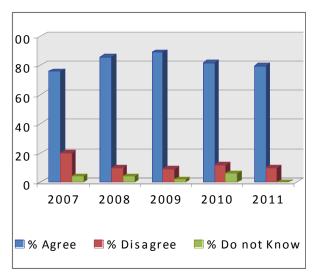
## The Survey

## We asked victims if the notification form contained the information they need.

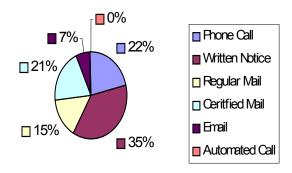




#### **METHODOLOGY**

The survey is administered annually through a written instrument. Although not a statistically valid sample, it provides an indicator of performance. 2011 marks our fourteenth survey.

#### We asked victims how they would prefer to be notified



### Source of notification requests received from 7/1/2010 to 6/30/2011

<b>Attorney General's Office</b>	2%
<b>Androscoggin District Attorney</b>	0%
<b>Aroostook District Attorney</b>	2%
<b>Cumberland District Attorney</b>	15%
Franklin District Attorney	0%
Hancock District Attorney	7%
Kennebec District Attorney	<b>5%</b>
Knox District Attorney	2%
Lincoln District Attorney	2%
Oxford District Attorney	0%
Penobscot District Attorney	4%
Piscataquis District Attorney	1%
Sagadahoc District Attorney	1%
Somerset District Attorney	3%
Waldo District Attorney	0%
Washington District Attorney	0%
York District Attorney	11%
<b>Department of Corrections</b>	54%

# office of victim Services

The mission of the Maine Department of Corrections is to reduce the likelihood that juvenile and adult offenders will re-offend by providing practices, programs and services which are evidence based and which hold the offenders accountable

A person who is the victim of a crime is entitled to certain basic rights: to be treated with dignity and respect, to be free from intimidation, to be assisted by criminal justice agencies and to be informed about the criminal justice system.

The Department of Corrections strives to ensure that victims who request notification are notified of a prisoner's release, victims receive the restitution to which they are entitled and victims are free from harassment from offenders in the custody of or under the supervision of the department.

The department provides a toll free number for victims to receive information regarding an offender's status.

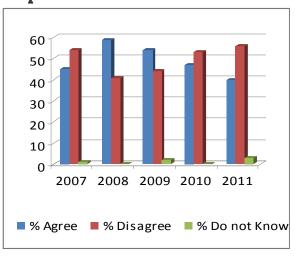
The Department of Corrections encourages the participation of crime victims on the DOC Advisory Group and the Victim of Crime Impact Panels.

The Department of Corrections is committed to the premise that crime victims are the real customers of the department, and will receive the rights and respect to which they are entitled.

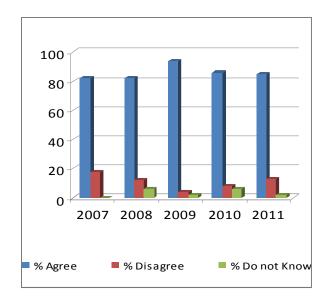
The Office of Victim Services is interested in whether victims feel informed, use the Office of Victim Services as an information resource and believe the information provided to be satisfactory.

The survey was first conducted in 1998 with victims whose offenders were released during the previous fiscal year. The percentage of respondents traditionally hovered at 30%. In 2008 the response was 28% in 2009 the response was 22% in 2010 it was 26% an in 2011 it was 22%

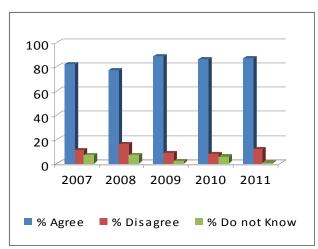
We asked victims if they believe the public is aware of the services provided to victims by the Department of Corrections.



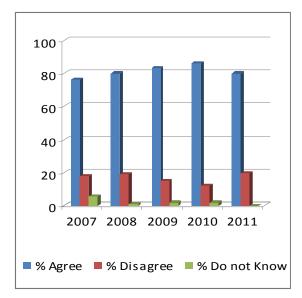
We asked victims if they believe the Department of Corrections provides a valuable service to victims.



We asked victims if they believe the DOC is committed to improving notification services to victims.



We asked victims if the notification arrived reasonably in advance of the release.



Average Number of Days in Advance Notice was sent for Discharges.

